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URBANA COMMUNITY TO HOLD SKATE PARK "FUN-RAISER"

FREDERICK, MD – A winter "fun-raiser" is planned for 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, February 23, at the <u>Urbana Community Park</u> located at 3636 Urbana Pike, Frederick, Md. Event sponsors have set a snow date of March 2. Special events and activities are planned to raise funds for a skate park in Urbana.

Last December, the Frederick Board of County Commissioners established the <u>Urbana Skate Park Fund</u> with The Community Foundation of Frederick County to support the development, planning, building, operations and maintenance of a skate park in Urbana Community Park. The fund has set a goal of raising \$300,000 to build the park to allow skateboarders in the area a skate boarding location.

The Urbana Community Park is owned and operated under the Frederick County Division of Parks and Recreation. The "fun-raiser" skate park will be set up temporarily in the parking lot near the tennis courts.

Commissioner Billy Shreve commented, "Our goal is to encourage youth to participate in many sporting activities. With the strong support of the Urbana community, we recognize the need for a skateboard park where enthusiasts can have a place to skate and participate in individual and group activities. We will use no county funding for this program, and we greatly appreciate the help of The Community Foundation, Urbana resident Joe Wallace, and Tim Reardon and Malcolm Bryan of Pitcrew Skateboards in helping us raise funds for the skate park. We hope many people will join us for this 'fun-raiser' event."

Those wishing to support The Urbana Skate Park Fund may make a secure, online donation at www.cffredco.org/urbanaskatepark. Checks made payable to The Community Foundation of Frederick County may be mailed to 312 East Church Street, Frederick, Maryland, 21701, with the name of the specific fund on the memo line. All donations are tax deductible to the fullest extent of the law.

For more information, contact The Community Foundation at 301-695-7660.